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Sir:

In response to the Notice To File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted dated March 14, 2002, a response to which is due May 14, 2002, enclosed herewith are the following:

1. Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted.
2. Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney executed by Inventors:  
John G. McCann, Daniel S. Banner, Louis S. Beres III, Joseph A. Repp and Robert E. Alquesta.
3. Check in the amount of \$170.00 representing the late filing fee of \$130.00 and \$40.00 recording fee of the assignment.

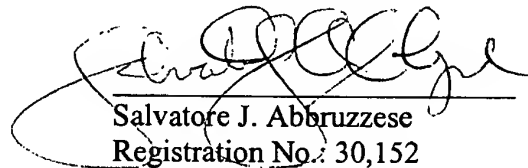
Assignment documents are being concurrently filed with this response in a separate correspondence to the Assignment Division, along with the required Recordation Form Cover Sheet and the fee of \$40.00, which is enclosed.

Also enclosed please find an Associate Power of Attorney.

Please charge any deficiencies or credit any overpayment in these fees to Deposit Account No. 08-2461. A duplicate of this transmittal is enclosed.

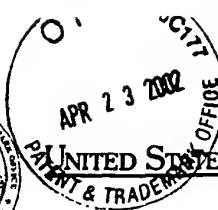
In view of the documents submitted herewith, Applicant respectively urges that the application is in condition for examination. Please direct any questions regarding this submission to Applicants' undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,



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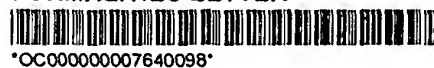
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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

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